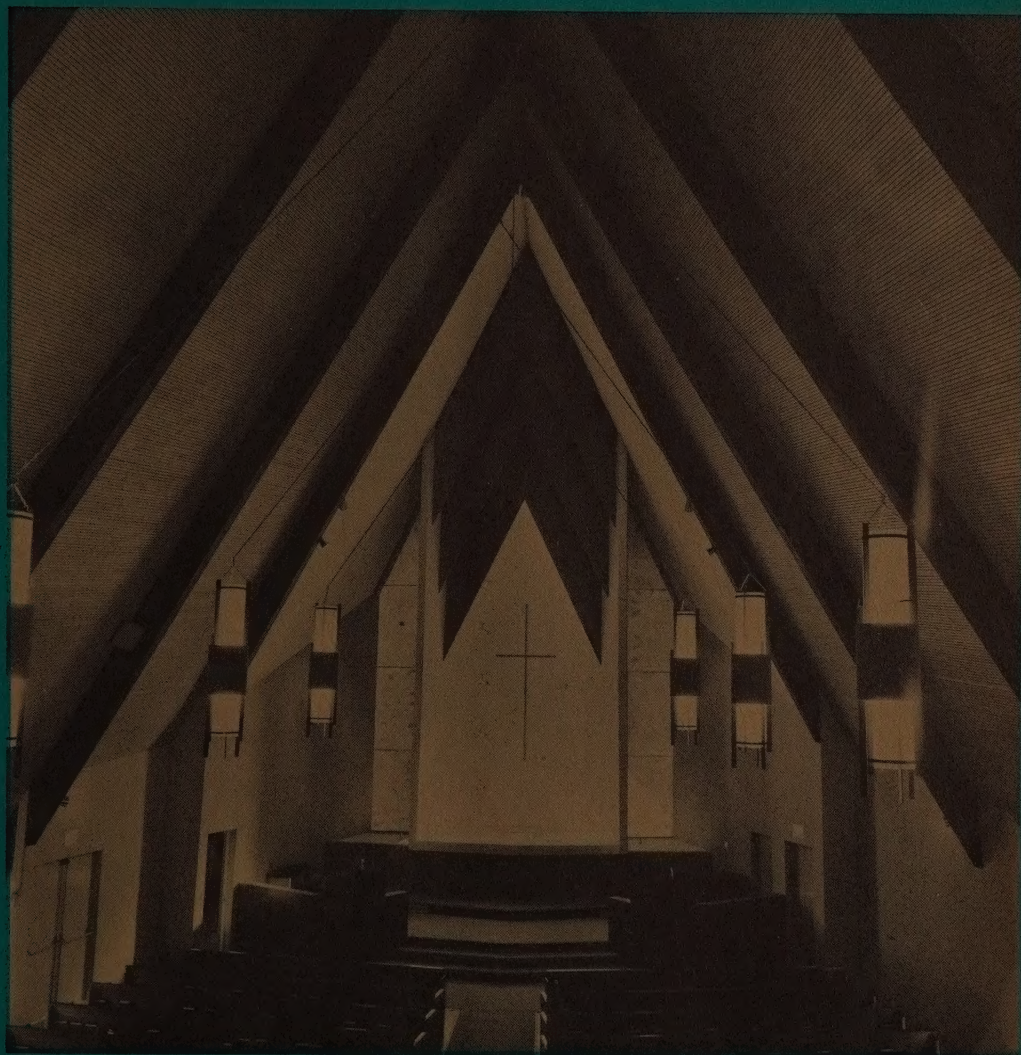


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January brings something new to everyone. The list is numberless, but one thing for sure, each will receive a calendar with which to measure the time allotted to him in 1961.

The calendar should denote that the days of 1961 are numbered, and each Christian should use them wisely. As each day is marked off, that day will never return again. The job undone will remain so forever for that day until, as the days go by, the list of "jobs undone" becomes so great that future time becomes mortgaged with work that should have been past history.

The calendar should denote to the Christian that each day should be a full day (24 hours) for God. The Christian should attempt nothing in that day that would be considered out of character for him. Even rest and sleep are "for God" as one replenishes vigor for another day.

The calendar should denote that, for the morrow to be effective, one must think and plan out ahead. The needs of the next day may have demands that cannot be met from past experience or knowledge. As the dawn of each day brings a multitude of new creations, the Christian should find no lack of inspiration to make that particular day full of meaning and purpose. When the day has ended, one should have been closer to God.

The following "five" may be a help as a mental check list for productive days: 1. Begin each day with prayer. Awaken alert to God's presence. 2. Become totally involved in the day's tasks, keeping in mind that God's work is being done and his happy steward is at work. 3. Include others, family and friends, in prayer thoughts and devotions at mealtime and elsewhere. Sharing is a rich experience. 4. Look for Jesus Christ in other people. Your real job for the day maybe to help someone. Be ready to accept help; your real need may be to receive. 5. See in today's tasks ways to make tomorrow's easier, quicker, more valuable, more helpful, and more rewarding. End the day in thinking for days ahead, and alert to God's presence.

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About the Cover

Our cover picture is of the interior of the new sanctuary of the Temple City Christian Church, which was dedicated on January 17, 1960. The church was organized on January 11, 1942, and Rev. and Mrs. George Elder were the first pastors. There were 47 present to organize the new congregation and the membership has now increased a hundredfold. The sanctuary, seating 432 worshippers, was built under the able leadership of Rev. Dennis Savage, who is the present pastor. One of the current and outstanding programs of the church is called, "An Adventure in Prayer", which is a six-weeks program through group work and discussion about prayer. After the group work, opportunity is given to practice prayer in the silence of this beautiful sanctuary.

VIEW POINTS

ABOUT VIEW-POINT

The series of VIEW POINTS on "What is the Church" will be continued in the February issue.

* From my point of view this publication does an exceptional job of doing what is indicated on its front cover—"Christian VIEW-POINT for the Southern California Church Family". Since I live in Southern California and am active in the Christian Church, I am very much a part of its family; and, I like to know what the church family members are doing, thinking, and planning.

It is always a thrill to read of some of my church family members, living in a community other than mine, doing something real outstanding for God's kingdom. I rejoice in their success. It is a privilege to have the opportunity to read brief articles on topics of interest, pertinent to the Christian faith, written by folk in my church family with whom I am acquainted. In this, I am given the privilege to become better acquainted as this one shares his thinking with me. I do not always agree and here is afforded me an excellent opportunity to broaden my perspective and better understand another's point of view. Always it is helpful to know of activities and goals embraced by our church family in its planning, and the VIEW-POINT keeps me well posted. Although its primary interest is with the Southern California church family, my VIEW-POINT keeps me aware of the activities in which we share with our church relatives across the nation and around the world.

From my point of view it is almost impossible for one to know his church family, well enough to really appreciate it, without reading the Christian VIEW-POINT.

* Our nation was born in the pain of revolution and grew up around the big black stove in the cross-roads general store. Hard-handed men in homespun and blue denim leaned against the store counter and cracker barrel in the winter and sat on the store porch in the summer shade of broad-backed trees. Men of strong mind and will, thinking and talking, were knit together in the common bond of concern. Each man in turn raised his voice to express his viewpoint, building this nation and its principles by the action of their minds.

Today, we Disciples in Southern California meet around a figurative store stove in our paper, the Christian VIEW-POINT. Here we find expressed the thinking of representative men and women from our various congregations. Such expression is vital to the continuing growth in each of our churches and in the strengthening and enlarging of our total work as Disciples of Christ in this area.

Because of the place which the VIEW-POINT is making for itself as a tool of churchmanship, it should be in every church home. You enjoy reading the VIEW-POINT. It is a good idea to share this interest with others.

Why not ask your church "View-Point'er" for the name of a church family now without the paper and send them the VIEW-POINT as a special gift from a church friend. Ask your Board chairman or pastor for the name of your "View-Point'er."

* "Everybody is talking about the weather but no one is doing anything about it." This is hardly true any more and what's a bigger problem—just how do you get everyone of us to agree on the kind of weather needed at the moment?

For years we have talked about the need for adequate public relations for the Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ) and for the most part we've done nothing much about it. Today we are in possession of an instrument which we've named the Christian VIEW-POINT, and we are trying to determine the kind of magazine it will eventually become to meet the greatest number of needs for the largest number of our people.

Without a doubt, the response to VIEW-POINT has been encouraging. Most of our readers have desired to have a newspaper which has news about our own Southern California people. We are trying to do this. It is extremely difficult to get quick and adequate news coverage; and it is something like the sick man in the church who wants the preacher to know he is ill but will not tell him. Every church wants to have its news in the VIEW-POINT, but few are doing anything about getting that information into the offices.

You will be glad to know that we've already been able through the splendid cooperation of the Christian Board of Publication, which prints our magazine for us, to cut off five days of the production time. This means the news is five days fresher.

Because of the problem of

by Mrs. O.A. Tolliver
Delhaven Christian Church
La Puente, California

by M. Mapes Stanley
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United Stewardship Canvass Helps Churches

by James A. Warren

"I feel that the United Stewardship Canvass is the most worthwhile thing our church has attempted. It was a revelation to my wife for me in many ways, and I feel that the Christian Churches will grow in grace because of it."

The above words are one church leader's response to the United Stewardship Canvass conducted during March, April, and May of 1960 for the Christian Churches of Southern California. This sentiment sums up what other leaders are saying about the Canvass. Typical comments point to the new spirit of purpose and enthusiasm which is reflected in the development of new leadership, increased attendance at worship, and expanded programs of service through increased financial pledges.

In excess of \$1,000,000 was pledged by the 44 churches which participated in the program. This figure represents an increase in income of \$195,000 among the 33 churches which made adequate reports of their results. Of the 11 churches not making complete reports, there should easily have been enough gain to push the "new money" total beyond the \$200,000 mark.

To measure the United Stewardship Canvass in monetary terms is superficial but nevertheless of interest. In comparing the total envelope income of 33 churches for the previous year with the total pledged by them through the USC, there was a gain of 29% over the previous year. In averaging the per-

centages of gain as found in the 33 reporting churches, the result was an average increase of income of 51% over the previous year. This figure compares favorably with the average increase of 50% determined by the National Council of Churches in a study of 2,000 churches engaged in a similar program.

Aside from any financial gains, the USC was found to be worthwhile even if it produced no new income. One pastor writes, "The Church Board officially went on record as giving their full endorsement to the Canvass. It was a complete success in our church. It was truly more than just a money-raising project."

The 1960 USC was made possible by the generous cooperation of the district directors, assistant directors, and

A Local Pastor

secretaries who took time to receive training to conduct the five training sessions in each area. These sessions were held in eleven areas throughout Southern California. The program was a service of the Christian Churches State Office as initiated by the State Stewardship Committee.

The 1961 USC will begin immediately following Easter and will conclude the last Sunday of May. District training sessions will be set up as before, but the dates will be alternated in districts. Materials and methods will be improved in the light of the 1960 program. Churches wishing to be part of the 1961 USC should communicate their wishes to the Christian Churches Area Office before Feb. 1, 1961.

Apologetic for the Decade

(Below is a correction of a statement which appeared in an earlier issue of VIEW-POINT.)

"It is very important that we do not frantically devise a so-called program of 'spirituality' but that we yield to the will of God." This is not our decade; this is not the Disciples' decade—IT IS GOD'S DECADE.

"We must have a sense of presence with God in all the activities, routine and crises, during the Decade.

" 'Spiritual depth' is not artificially created but comes with an experience of yielding to the will of God in humility and teachableness. No matter what happens to us, our agencies, even our broth-

erhood—GOD IS! WE BELIEVE! Our convictions must not be opinions deified.

"What is His will? What does He want us to do? When issues arise that seem to have no solution, this is the time to affirm GOD IS! WE BELIEVE! HE MAKES ALL THINGS POSSIBLE!"

—Dr. Virgil A. Sly

INSPIRATION POINT

YOU ARE ON

THE TEAM

There is something about an athletic contest that captivates nearly every spectator. There are many reasons for this, but few reasons stand above the thrill of watching a team, perfectly coordinating their efforts with the goal of victory in mind. Great teams rarely consist of all great players—great teams have learned the secret of each man measuring up to his best as he plays the game with his fellows.

Strange as it may seem, this is God's method. One definition of the Christian religion could be, God and man working together. Our Bible, the textbook of the Christian life, is the result of this teamwork. Jesus did not give to us many of the details of the Church. He gave to us a burning principle of life that He called Good News. But the method and the use of this message He left almost entirely to us. He was concerned with the ends—the building of the Kingdom of God on earth, man learning to trust and love his fellows, the conquest of fear and hatred by real love. He outlined pathways that would lead to this objective, but He trusted you and me to work out the mechanics. We, as human beings, have a startling, a terrible responsibility—we are on the team with the Living God.

Look for a moment at another phase of this teamwork. If I were to hold before you a loaf of bread, it would speak of man's relationship with God. God gives the sunshine and the rain. He placed within the kernel of wheat a speck of life. But he leaves to his teammate the ploughing, the planting, the reaping, the milling and the baking. Neither man nor God produces a loaf of bread alone. As

by Dr. Ewart Wyle
Minister
Torrey Pines
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someone has wisely suggested—because man cannot, and God will not.

God has never overlooked his partner in the process of creation. When God wanted Europe—He did not send a heavenly visitant, but a man, Saul of Tarsus. When God wanted a gospel written, He placed a fire of love, zeal and understanding within the heart of a man, and our gospels resulted.

There are no exceptions to this membership on the team of life. Yet some of us are not even aware that God is trusting us to help him build a better world. But thank God there are so many who realize that God looks to them—not as servants, but as teammates.

We often thank God for food and clothes. Let us also remember a divine trust that he places on our shoulders. Let us thank Him for this tremendous responsibility and ask Him to help us measure up.

A short time ago we were celebrating Christmas. Again God came into the realm of human understanding and through His beloved Son, beckons us to measure up to His trust.

If we would have peace on earth, trust among nations, suffering and want banished, you and I must measure up to our opportunities and responsibilities as teammates of God. *

BE YE KIND

KINDNESS IS A BLESSED VIRTUE

"Be ye kind one to another," Jesus said. This was one of his greatest words to his followers. It is interesting that the word "kindness" is closely associated with the words "kin", or "akin to." It means in essence, "feeling with someone." During the last war when London was receiving a severe drubbing from the bombing attacks of the German air force, a story is told of an old man dressed in ragged clothes walking up and down a main thoroughfare in that city carrying a sign with this message scrawled across it: "Let us be kind to one another. We are having a terrible time."

I thought of that recently when I stood on a corner in London one evening as crowds were leaving the theaters. I was the tour leader for a group of S-OYF young people from the Southern California churches and had spent the evening walking around seeing what could be seen while the young people were attending the theater. In the six weeks we had been touring Europe and the British Isles, with a week at the World Convention in Edinburgh, no sight struck me more forcibly than what I was about to see.

As I waited for a traffic light to change, a policeman came up the street dragging an old, unkempt, dirty, ragged man of the streets by the scruff of the neck. The old man had been drinking and the air reeked with offensive odors when the policeman dropped him down beside me to await the light to change. The London law officers are usually gracious and accommodating gentlemen, but this policeman apparently had in his hands a panderer who habitually left skid row at this time of the night and wandered up to the theater district. He was not in the least inclined to be patient with his charge. As the light changed, the officer once again took the old man in tow by the nape of the neck and dragged him like a big rag doll across the street to a telephone booth where he proceeded to call a patrol wagon. As the old man's feet left the edge of the curb, his two canvas shoes came loose, one dropping in the gutter and the other in the middle of the street where traffic was soon pulverizing it against the stony surface.

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Rebel Without A Cause?

The sixth of a series of articles in

the interest of family relations.

"It seems that whatever I ask my teen-ager to do, he does just the opposite," a distraught mother says. "I'm almost afraid to make any demands on him anymore. I just can't seem to control him like I did when he was younger."

Actually it's hard to know when to be firm. Of course we need to be firm when our children's actions could be harmful to themselves or to others. A teen-ager needs our control to help him control himself. But if our demands overbalance his chance for independence he will rebel or lose self-confidence.

Usually whether it is harmful or not does not even enter into the picture. Many times we are desiring to control him because of fears we have within ourselves. We want a thing done because we feel the way we do about it. We want him to make good grades because we see how our job opportunities would have been greater if we had applied ourselves. We want her to play the piano because we always wished we could be the 'life of the party'.

In other words, we need to understand our own feelings before we can understand the feelings of our teen-ager. It helps if we can go back in retrospect to our own teen-age days.

It helps to remember how we felt about our own parents and their wishes and demands. Then it helps to understand our dreams and aspirations for ourselves. If we are not succeeding in our own understanding, we may be fostering our misunderstandings on our children.

Another thing we need to realize is the fact that it's awfully hard to fool this young lady or young man in our home. They often see behind the smoke screen we put up when we make demands on them. They can tell whether we are being honest in our demands. You will go over much bigger by being 'on the level' with them than if you give them a good 'reason'.

"You're too cranky to live with when you stay up past 10 o'clock." This is much more honest than saying, "10 o'clock is your curfew because you need to establish good health habits." You're not always doing things for his 'good' only and he knows it. Of course there are times when we cannot share our feelings. But still we do not need to put all the blame or responsibility on the teen-ager.

Lewis R. Eloë, Minister,
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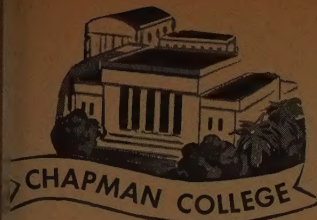


Let him know we are bothered by our own feelings sometimes and not just by him.

We also need to cull over our 'wishes' before we make demands. If the load of demands grows too big our children will rebel at everything. Then someday when something very important comes along they will still be rebelling. What was right for us as a teen-ager may be different now. Basic principles of course remain the same. But what is the 'best' many times depends on how we are looking at it.

This of course goes back to what we said before. It helps us to get a truer picture when we can 'think back'. The way we felt about our parents who were so old-fashioned gives us help in getting the picture in focus. What we felt about love and marriage and the opposite sex also enters the picture. Thinking back may take away some of the fears we have for our teen-ager. This will help us not only to understand ourself better but also give us a warmth of understanding for them. As they feel our 'understanding', they will feel less and less that they need to rebel and more and more confident in their own actions and attitudes. *

For answers to your questions on family relations, you may write to Mr. Lewis Eloë, 8949 Reseda Blvd., Northridge, California. Please send a self addressed, stamped, envelope with your inquiries.



REPORTS

Program For One Hundredth Year

A Centennial Convocation was held on November 15 to open a year of observance of 100 years of Christian Higher Education in California under the sponsorship of the Christian Churches.

Speaker for the occasion was Dr. Lawrence G. Derthick, U. S. Commissioner of Education. Many colleges sent representatives. Theme for the year is "Accent on Excellence". Funds for the Centennial Library fund are being collected during the year. Two Founder's Day Banquets are being scheduled this year. The first will be held at Woodland, California, site of Hesperian College, on February 24. The second will be held at Disneyland Hotel on March 3.

Library Ground Breaking Set

The Board of Trustees and Board of Governors at their meeting on November 11, voted to set target date for ground breaking for the new library building for November 1, 1961.

Debate Team Wins Three Out Of Four

The Chapman College debate team participated in the Long Beach State Service tournament on October 29 and won three of their four debates. The national topic, "Resolved that the United States adopt a program of compulsory Health Insurance", was used in all debates. Jill Visnak, Tom Russell and Bill Daniels represented Chapman College. They were coached by Dr. George T. Tade, dean of the college. All three Chapman students won certificates of excellence. They won over the University of Redlands, Territos College, and Los Angeles State College. There were 83 colleges from Arizona and California in the tournament.

Parents Day At Chapman

One hundred and seven parents of Chapman College students attended the first "Parent's Day" at Chapman College on Saturday, November 6. Activities for the day began with a coffee hour at 10 o'clock, followed by an assembly in the Little Theatre during which time the faculty and

Christian Fellowship Center



Have you a young man or young woman in the Armed Forces? Do you wonder how they are doing? Or if they are going to the right places? Or meeting the right people? If your son or daughter is stationed in the San Diego area, there is a right answer.

For the past three years, the Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ) of Southern California have sponsored the CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CENTER, 901 "F" Street, San Diego, with the Military and Veterans Services Committee of the United Christian Missionary Society. Mrs. Dora Belle (Mom) Smith is the director.

Nearly 6,000 service personnel have attended the CENTER during the twenty-one months Mrs. Smith has been there. Many of these have

come back, again and again. When they return from overseas, or from a school, they make a mad dash for HOME-CENTER and Mom, and/or her cooking. Nine hundred and fifty of these have attended Church-School, and over 1,200 have attended Worship Services at Central Christian, where the Center is located. There is a share-the-cost plan for Friday and Saturday food, and a share-the-work plan all the time so Mom can share in the Fireside Chats, Bible study, and prayer groups, and have time for individual counseling.

The Center is open Friday 5:00 to 11:00 p.m.; Saturday 1:00 to 11:00 p.m. Sunday Church School is at 9:30 a.m., Worship Services, 10:45 a.m., Dinner 1:30 p.m., dishes, free time, Supper 5:30 p.m., Devotional 6:30 p.m., dishes, games, discussions, counseling, fellowship, friendship-circle, and benediction. There is always a prayer before meals, and when leaving the Center.

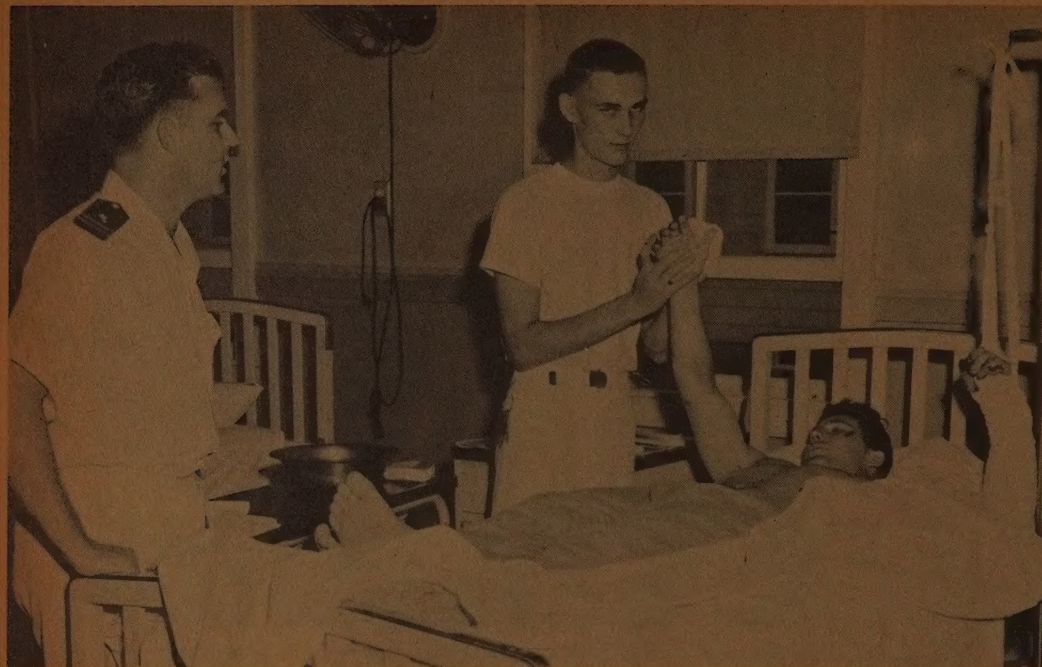
The young people have made name-tags for the district conventions, assembled directories for the San Diego County Council of Churches, painted classrooms, 'swabbed the decks', repaired the Disposal, worked in the nursery, taught Bible classes, given devotionals, participated in the Christmas pageants, sang specials for a television program, and for worship services in many of the churches they visit, repaired toys. They have planned and directed two all-church hymn sings.

As these young people return to their homes, and home-churches they will feel that they have had training and Christian growth, and have served their Lord while they have been in the Service of their Country.

staff were introduced by Dean George Tade. A panel of students and faculty presented the many and varied student affairs and activities.

Following luncheon in the College dining room, there was a short program, including special music by the Cardinal Belles and an address on "Accent on Excellence" by President John L. Davis.

The afternoon was spent in a tour of the campus. The Madrigal Singers entertained at the dinner hour. Parents were guests of the College at the Drama Department presentation of "Antigone". Miss Sandra White played "Antigone". Others in the cast included Davis Hardacre, Bob Maher, Mary McConnell, Woody Deitch, Kathy Barnette, Chuck Penticoff, Korut Togrol, Bob Haggerty, and Dennis Short.



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A Disciple chaplain visits a sick seaman. (U.S. Navy Photo)

WEEK OF COMPASSION

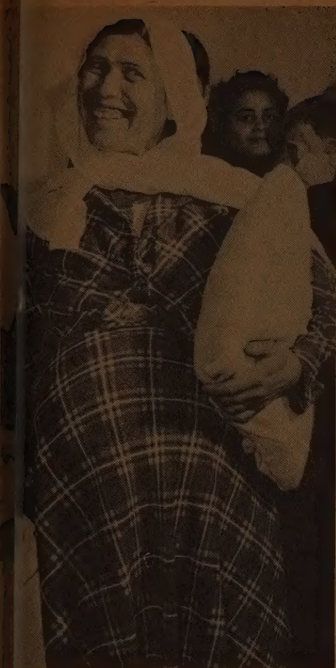
BECAUSE YOU SHARE. . .THEY HAVE MEDICAL TREATMENT
Children treated for hookworm in a refugee camp in Gaza. (NECC)
(NECC Photo)



FEBRUARY

BECAUSE YOU SHARE
A refugee boy takes
Y.M.C.A. course in





YOU SHARE. . THEY HAVE
CLOTHING.
... bring smiles to mothers
... Lebanon. (UN Photo)



BECAUSE YOU SHARE THEY ARE FED
Refugees line up for milk rations in Hong Kong
(CWS Photo)

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...I-YMCA Photo)



BECAUSE YOU SHARE THEY SERVE OTHER
Youth work campers build a nursery for refugee children in Greece
(U.C.M.S. Photo)



PROGRESS

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WORKSHOP SERIES

YOUR TRANSIENT FRIENDS

When your friend in the church moves to another community, do you care whether he finds a new church home? How much do you care? Do you care enough to write his name and address on a postcard and mail it to the Christian Churches Area Office? If you will send his name and address to the Membership Department, 3126 Los Feliz Boulevard, Los Angeles 39, California, the Christian Church nearest his new address will be notified of his move.

If your friend is moving out of the state, send his postal information to the above address. The State Society of the state to which he has moved will be notified and requested to forward the information to the nearest Christian Church.

In a day when so many people are on the move, and also when so many people forget to notify their church when they move, your thoughtful concern for your fellow-member in the church may be the means of keeping his Christian witness vital.

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AND CHILDREN SING

REDONDO BEACH, South Bay- Carol Hewett of this church has been elected to the office of second vice president of the board at the Exceptional Children's School in Redondo Beach. Carol's Christian concern expresses itself in many hours spent giving these children music therapy.

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MIDDLE ADULT FELLOWSHIP BANQUET

The Middle Adult Fellowship will hold an annual spring banquet at the Crenshaw Christian Church, Los Angeles, on February 11, at 7:00 p.m. Dennis and Mary Lou Savage, Temple City, will bring a program on the theme: "Love and Marriage". Detailed information will be sent to each church.

The Middle Adult Fellowship includes couples from over half of the Christian Churches of Southern California. It is open to all who may wish to participate in its activities. Its program includes two week-end conferences at Camp Radford on Memorial Day week-end and Labor Day week-end, an annual planning conference, and the spring banquet. Further information may be secured from the Department of Christian Education, Christian Churches Area Office.

CREEPING CHRISTIANITY

BELL, First- When Christianity touches a man's heart it is inspiring. When it spreads down into his pocketbook it is phenomenal. After Bill Dickeson bought the grocery store at 4634 Gage in Bell, he gave up the liquor license that went along with the deal. The loss of customers resulting from this move was not as important to him as standing true to his convictions.

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LOW MAN ON THE TOTEM POLE

TORRANCE, First- The idea that our Brotherhood stood "low man" in a recent survey on giving has been a subject of much concern.

Should our ministers encourage tithing by example? Rev. and Mrs. Milton Sippel gave their feeling on the responsibility of stewardship in the following note:

"Some ministers say they do not tithe their incomes because they have dedicated their whole lives to the Lord. We do not share this view and have tithed the thirty years of our married life. When we compare what we have in happiness and in material goods with what some of our friends of college days have, we know God's plan of stewardship brings its rewards. Our income has never been large, but we have always put God's tenth aside to be used for Him."

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SHORT ORCHIDS TO . . .

▲ The C.Y.F. of Huntington Park Church who collected 11 tons of scrap metal to help earn their pledge to C.W.F.F. In their spare time they sponsored a hot cake breakfast as an added effort.

▲ The Chi Rho at San Diego University Church for raising and sending \$24.00 to be used at Loch Leven wherever the need is greatest.

▲ Roger and Mike Teel of Bellflower First Church for baseball trophies earned. Roger graduated from Little League after racking up six years on the diamond and Mike was voted "most valuable player" on the Pony League All Stars.

▲ The C.Y.F. of Pasadena Central who used their imagination in salvaging excess lumber from their new building site and by cutting and finishing produced blocks to be used by the children's department of the church.

Leadership Education Workshops, sponsored by the Department of Christian Education of the Los Angeles Church Federation, will be held four Tuesday evenings this month. The sessions will be at the First Baptist Church, 760 South Westmoreland, Los Angeles, 7:00-9:30 p.m., on January 10, 17, 24, 31.

Workshop sessions will feature a course in the New Testament, taught by Dr. Herman Waetjen, professor of New Testament at the University of Southern California. Other instructors will include Dr. Herman Sweet, Presbyterian Christian Education field worker; Dr. Samuel Bailey, Baptist Christian Education executive; Dr. Grover Bagley, Methodist Church Christian Education director; Don E. Lindblom, director of Christian Education, Pasadena Council of Churches; and William Terbeek and Dean Canady of the Christian Churches Area Office.

Mrs. Curtis Grimes, of the Hollywood-Beverly Church, is one of the co-ordinators of this project. Cost for the series is \$5.00 per church (unlimited registration beginning on the first night only) or \$1.00 per person for the entire series. Thirty-five cents will be charged for a single session.

Except for the New Testament course, a different theme and instructor will be featured in the courses each evening. Age level sessions for workers with children, youth and adults are planned.

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WHO COULD IT BE?

SAN DIEGO, University-Judee Buzine's father, Fred, was pleased to have his daughter enter his Alma Mater, Occidental College, this fall. What has everyone guessing is that an anonymous "good fairy" is providing Judee's full tuition. We are proud of the unknown person who made this unselfish gesture and pleased that Judee should be worthy of such faith.

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CLAYTON WILSON TO LOMPOC

Clayton Wilson, who terminated his work at Gardena in June and has been on a nationwide tour visiting churches he has formerly served, began work as interim-organizing pastor for Lompoc on December 4. Russell Hensley, Church Development Secretary from Area Office was present for the service of installation. Lompoc is using a very beautiful government church facility for its services of worship. A team consisting of Ada Harsin, Bill Terbeek and Charlotte Hensley led a week-end leadership education program for Church School teachers in November.

Half a year has passed since the 51st Southern California Assembly in 1960. In a little more than six months the congregation will come into Assembly again, this time at Chapman College, Orange, where two splendid new dormitories will help improve substantially the living situation on the campus.

Church Delegates

An important step to be taken by each congregation already has been taken to the ministers. Among other interested participants in the Assembly will be the delegates and alternates, chosen by the congregations. By-laws, adopted last summer, provide, "each member church shall be entitled three delegates and alternates plus the minister. In addition each having a resident membership more than three hundred shall be entitled one delegate and alternate and each one hundred additional members or major fraction thereof, exclusive of the members of Board of Directors (of the Christian Churches Southern California). . . Each member of the Board of Directors shall be a delegate to the Assembly."

Under the chairmanship of B. Frank Cron, the pastor at Central Christian Church in Glendale, each church has been asked to select its delegates and alternates reporting their names to him prior to January 15.

Recommendations Committee

The important Recommendations Committee of the Assembly will hold its initial meeting on Saturday, March 18. The Recommendations Committee constituted according to the following procedure: "Each member church shall appoint one of its delegates as the principal of the Recommendations Committee and another as the alternate. The chairman and vice-chairman of the Recommendations Committee shall be chosen by the Executive Committee of the Assembly. . . The Recommendations Committee shall hold its first meeting at least four months prior to the Assembly."

"The Recommendations Committee shall consider any resolution presented by a member church or by five members of Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ), or by any member agency, provided such resolution is submitted two months prior to the ending date of the Assembly."

Melvin Laven is serving as the chairman of this Committee on Recommendations and Phillip Gerrard is the vice-chairman.

At the same time that a church reports its delegates and alternates, it also will send the names of the principal and the alternate.

- Jan. 1 Student Recognition Sunday
- Jan. 2 Area Office Closed
- Jan. 7 Fellowship Planning Day
- Jan. 7 Separate and Joint Executive CMF and CWF
- Jan.8-10 Planning Conference-Loch Leven
- Jan.10 Workshop Series 1961
- Jan.14 CMF Commission, El Cajon
- Jan.15 Evangelism Advance Training Session IV
- Jan.17,18 Dept. of Budgets & Prom.
- Jan.17 So. Calif. Fellowship of Disciple Directors
- Jan.17 Workshop Series 1961
- Jan.20 Annual Meeting, United Church Women
- Jan.24 Board of Directors Meeting
- Jan.24-26 Ministers' Convocation-Univer. of So. California
- Jan.24 Workshop Series 1961
- Jan.29 Youth Week begins
- Jan.30,31 Minister's Wives Retreat-Loch Leven
- Jan.31 Workshop Series 1961

OPERATION REFRIGERATION

The following is a letter received by the Southern California Business and Professional Women's group as a result of a gift of \$500 which was given for the Mountain of Light Farm in Pabellon, Aguascalientes, Mexico. This is one of the places our missionary work is carried on in Mexico. Mrs. Irma Newman was the president of the BPW during the time this project was being promoted. Byron Spice is our missionary at the Mountain of Light Farm.

Dear Mrs. Newman:

It's about time I brought you up-to-date on the refrigeration project for the farm. Allen Transfer of San Antonio, Texas, is handling our shipment, and within a month we should be using the freezer and refrigerator.

Here's the deal: As an immigrant to Mexico I can import all my household goods duty free, so long as they are used. I went to San Antonio, then to Temple, Texas, where I had a physical checkup; then came back to San Antonio and began looking for used merchandise. I was unable to find a gas-operated deep freeze. I did purchase a Servel refrigerator, which added to the one we have should solve the refrigeration problem. I also found a used Amana: a 25 cu. ft. upright deep freeze which was in excellent shape, and bought it, and it will be with the shipment. Since we have electricity in Pabellon in the house where Miss Florine Cantrell lives, I asked her permission to install it there until such time as we have continuous electricity out at the farm. I'm sure we can use it that way for we go into town everyday anyway.

Since I had to spend some time in San Antonio looking around for the things, and since I was able to get the two pieces at a pretty good price, I'm charging these expenses against the \$500 you sent to Indianapolis. I hope this meets with your approval. The transportation on them will be paid by U.C.M.S. since I am bringing them in as my personal furniture. Unless something unforeseen shows up, I guess it is all over but the picture taking and the shouting, which we will most certainly do when the pieces arrive.

I feel that having a deep freeze will be a real saving, and certainly hope we can prove worthy of the love and generosity that the gift implies. Please give my sincere and hearty thanks to the many women in Southern California who have contributed to this project.

When our friends pray for us, we feel they are sharing our lives and witness. When they give of their substance to provide tools with which to work, we know that they have, in their own way, answered God's call. Then the missionary work is their work, and the Mountain of Light Farm is their farm. That's the way it should be.

Gratefully, Byron Spice

WANT AN INTERN?

A former Southern California man, now completing his second year of seminary work, is interested in spending a year as an "Intern" on the staff of a congregation before he completes the third year of his seminary education.

A mature person, he is unmarried and ably demonstrated his leadership abilities before entering seminary. Any church which is interested should communicate with the State Secretary.

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2,354 LOW-INCOME PEOPLE HELPED IN MCI CLINICS

Christian Churches (Disciples) have since 1913 assisted a disadvantaged minority group in San Antonio, Texas, through the Mexican Christian Institute. This has included spiritual and cultural uplift, educational functions, medical aid and so on.

Clinics served 2,354 in the 1959-60 report period. The dental program, which is new, is open only to individuals with not more than \$75 a month income or a couple with not more than \$150 a month. The fee charged: 50 cents per visit, 50 cents for fillings, 50 cents for extractions, 50 cents for child's cleaning and \$1 for adults.

Expert services (such as these) to low-income groups help to make meaningful to 172,000 persons in San Antonio who are citizens of Mexican descent or Mexican aliens the churches' claim for the dignity of all men.

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DISTRICT NOMINATING COMMITTEES MEET SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

One of the most important expressions of the life of the Christian Churches will occur on Sunday afternoon, January 29. At least one representative from each congregation will meet with others of the same district to develop that district's nominations of representatives to fill many important positions in the intercongregational life.

Southern California Nominating Committee

In previous years there was no correlation between the Southern California Nominating Committee and the nominating committee chairmen in the districts. By agreement with the District Presidents this year, however, one member of the Southern California Committee from each district will serve as the chairman of the nominating committee in that district. It will be under this person that the meeting on January 29 will be conducted.

Furthermore, both the Southern California Nominating Committee and the District Presidents encourage ministers and board chairmen to select their church's person to represent them in this meeting. Desirably, he or she should be fairly well acquainted not only in his own congregation but with the workers and leaders throughout the district. It is most essential that every church have a representative present.

Places of Meeting

Host churches for these gatherings

are listed below:

- #1—COASTAL
- #2—SAN FERNANDO-KERN
Van Nuys Christian Church
6565 Vesper
Van Nuys
- #3—SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
First Christian Church
300 North Michigan
Glendora
- #4—METROPOLITAN
McCarty Memorial
4101 West Adams Boulevard
Los Angeles 18
- #5—SAN BERNARDINO-RIVERSIDE-SOUTH NEVADA
First Christian Church
4055 Jurupa
Riverside
- #6—HARBOR-BAY
- #7—ORANGE
Norwalk Christian Church
13820 Studebaker Road
Norwalk
- #8—SAN DIEGO-IMPERIAL
Central Christian Church
901 "F" Street
San Diego

What One District Did

Heber Pitman, president of the San Diego-Imperial District, writes, "We have talked to Mrs. Thomas, our district chairman, and she feels that Central is the best location. We now have in our area a person committee from each church to serve on the district nominating committee and will attempt to see that this job is well done this year."

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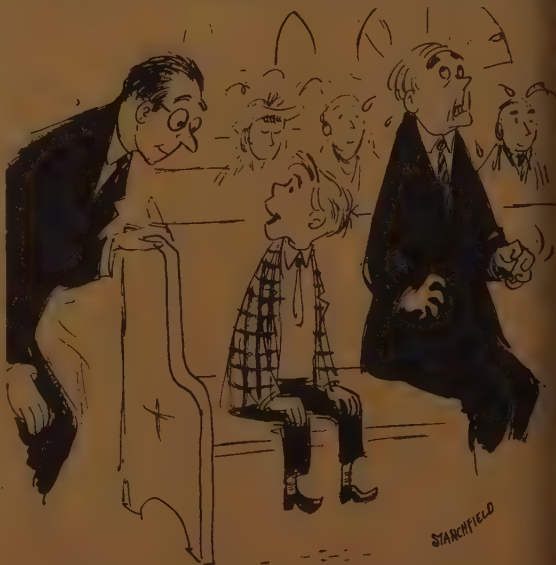
Be Ye Kind

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As I stood there wondering what I might do to help the old man, a middle-aged man in full dress, accompanied by his lady in beautiful evening gown and furs, came up. Without any show of condescension, he reached down into the gutter, picked up one canvas shoe by the string, walked over into the middle of the street and picked up the other shoe, also by the tie string, and carried both of them to the side of the old man who now lay panting and exhausted on the hard sidewalk near the telephone where the policeman was calling for assistance. To the small crowd of the curious who had watched this proceeding, this act spoke an eloquent message. It was almost like hearing the Master say again: "Be ye kind to one another." I wondered as I left the scene if this might be the old man who had carried the placard: "Let us be kind to one another."

by E. Dean Canady
Secretary of Christian Education,
Christian Churches Area Office.

DEACON'S DILEMMA by Walt Stanchfield



"This beats cutting the lawn."



FAMILY ALBUM



NEWS

PLANNING CONFERENCE 1961

The 1961 Planning Conference of churches will be held January 7-10, 1961. Area leaders are called a time of serious evaluation of program and realistic preparation for the future.

Members of the functional departments have been invited to the conference at Loch Leven from January through 10. Department chairmen are preparing agendas based upon research of the needs of local churches. A vital program helps in the next two years.

District leaders are also calling together their councils to determine what can best be done by neighboring churches working together. With accurate information from both sources, departments will be equipped to make responsible decisions for the future progress of our church life. Dennis Page, chairman of the Board of Directors, has called a special meeting of the Board for Tuesday, January 10, at 2:00 p.m. at Loch Leven to study the proposals of the departments for the year 1961-62.

Another important section of the Planning Conference will be the Fellowship Day, to be held January 11 at Hollywood-Beverly Christian Church. Executive groups of C.W.F., M.F., S.O.Y. and C.Y.F. will meet the same degree of evaluation and preparation that will be conducted in functional departments the next three days. Commissions of the Christian Education Department will also meet for planning on the 7th.

The Planning Conference can be a major event in designing the action for our cooperative life for the coming years. The prayerful concern of all will be required for the most effective conference possible.

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GOLDEN WEDDING

Many friends came to congratulate C. M. Ridenours on Thanksgiving Day, 1960. Fifty years earlier they had been married, and an unusually large number of those who were in the earlier ceremony were present to rejoice at the Golden Wedding celebration.

The home of the Ridenour daughter, Mrs. O. K. Earl, in Pasadena was the setting. Their son, Bryant Ridenour and his family from Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, was also present for the occasion. Over 250 guests signed a register.

FEED MY SHEEP

ALL PEOPLES CHURCH—Mr. and Mrs. Les Dean extend the long arm of Christian concern to Yee Fai, a six year old Chinese boy in Hong Kong. Through Foster Parents Plan Inc. they send \$15.00 a month to help with food, clothes and medical bills for the boy. Another important point is that now Yee Fai can afford to go to school because someone cares.

Christianity is a personal religion. When we shout that two-thirds of the world's population goes to bed hungry, we are not nearly as moved to act as we would be to think quietly, "Yee Fai will be hungry or sick if I fail him."

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PROGRAM COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES SPEAKERS

The three headline speakers for the 1961 Assembly have been announced by program committee chairman, James K. Hempstead.

They include Dr. Virgil A. Sly, executive chairman of the division of world mission of The United Christian Missionary Society; Dr. Alfred T. DeGroot, distinguished professor of church history, Brite College of the Bible; and Dr. David MacLennan, senior pastor of the Brick Presbyterian Church, Rochester, New York, and former professor of homiletics at Yale Divinity School.

Each of the men will concern himself with one aspect of the convention theme, "In the Midst—God."

Dr. Sly is familiar to all Disciples as "Mr. Missions," having carried major portfolios for many of our outreach causes. Formerly a professor at Chapman College, Dr. DeGroot has attained distinction as one of the foremost church historians of our time, having given notable leadership in the World Council of Churches. Dr. MacLennan needs no introduction to preachers, particularly since his appearance before the Minister's Breakfast at the Denver Convention. He is undoubtedly one of the pulpit giants of our time.

These men promise to provide the core of information and inspiration about which we can build a significant assembly program.

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WIN ONE IN '61

AZUSA, First—With the battle cry of "Win one in '61", the members of this congregation have launched a year-long, church-wide campaign. Each person is pledged to call on and invite to church anyone in the community who is without a church home. Their slogan is, "A home-going church makes for a church-going community". With spirit like this a successful campaign is assured.

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EL CAJON, First—Harold L. Christmann, former Navy Chaplain, began his ministry with the First Christian Church in El Cajon, California, on July 26, 1960. Since this time the attendance at the morning worship services has increased almost 25%. Evening services are also being held now with an average attendance of 100. Over 40 new members have been received into the church since Mr. Christmann's arrival.

Laymen's Sunday was observed on October 16 with the men of the C.M.F. taking charge of the services. Perry Bosworth and Clinton George, elders, spoke on the themes, "The Master's Men" and "What Christ Means to Me", respectively.

Mistress Christmann, Roy Setser and Perry Bosworth were leaders in the District Institute held recently for our churches of Imperial Valley. Mr. Christmann led in the area of Evangelism and Membership, Mr. Bosworth led in Church Finance and Mr. Setser in the area of Social Action.

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YOUTH WEEK, 1961

"Into All The World Together" is the theme for the interdenominational Youth Week, January 29—February 5, 1961. The purpose of the observance is to emphasize youth work and the common unity in Christ among all denominations. Recognition will include community youth services, local "current issue" surveys, radio and television programs, and concerned attention to the mission youth materials related to the theme. Local C.Y.F. groups are encouraged to join in the inter-protestant Youth Week observances in their community.

CHANGE AT BARSTOW

The First Christian Church at Barstow in early November received the resignation of Hermon Burke as its minister in which he asked to be relieved immediately of his duties. Consequently, E. Dean Canady, secretary of Christian Education in Southern California, filled the pulpit until C. M. Ridenour was able to begin an ad interim ministry on November 27.

On his departure from Barstow, Mr. Burke went to Eugene, Oregon.

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NEW CHURCH PROGRAM TEMPORARILY CURTAILED

The beginning of new churches in the New Church Program for the Decade will be terminated until additional funds are available. This year one new church, Hillside Christian Church in San Bernardino, was started. Offerings for New Church Development from last year's program were not in sufficient amounts to care for our needs and therefore the 1960-61 income is being used to help subsidize past programs.

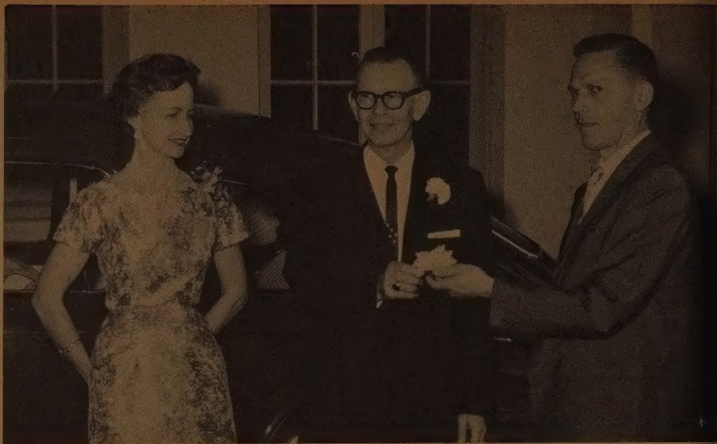
At the present time, program support such as salary, rental on buildings and payment on properties is being subsidized in the following churches: Lompoc; Morro Bay; Hillside Christian, San Bernardino; Downey Memorial Church; Harbor First Christian at Newport Beach; San Clemente, and Kearny Mesa.

Payments are being made on the following projects: Woodland Hills, Lancaster, Barstow, East Whittier, Kearny Mesa, Downey Memorial, San Clemente, and on a ten thousand dollar note accumulated six years ago. Some of these are dating back as far as the Mid-Century program.

The day will come when this program can be resumed on an active basis. Meanwhile, the staff is engaged in an extensive program of research and development. Eight new churches should be started during 1960-61. With the cooperation of all of the churches in Southern California, the job anticipated by our Assembly can be launched once again.

The World Convention has prepared a remarkable colored filmstrip, containing 67 frames, together with a descriptive lecture, of the recent Edinburgh World Assembly. The price is only \$5.00. When ordering, make check payable to the World Convention and mail your order to

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New York 27, New York



Pictured from left to right: Mrs. Tuttle, Rev. Karl Tuttle and Tanjor Black.

SANTA BARBARA—The First Christian Church honored the minister, Rev. Karl W. Tuttle, and his wife at a reception in the Fellowship Hall of the church on Sunday afternoon, November 13th. The event was in the form of a celebration of their 30th wedding anniversary, also the third year of their ministry for the church. It was a most joyous occasion, as Rev. Tuttle was back in the pulpit after a long and very serious illness and almost the entire membership came to welcome him, and to offer congratulations and good wishes to this fine couple.

The highlight came when Mr. Tanjor Black, Chairman of the Official Board, presented Mr. Tuttle with the keys to a 1961 Volvo automobile, a gift of the members of the church. The event was sponsored by the women of the church and the members of the Membership Department. Mrs. Smith Penney, Chairman of the Membership Department was general chairman for the occasion.

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PASADENA—Rev. Frank H. Shaul of Pasadena, passed away on November 27, 1960. A native of South Dakota, he came to California 33 years ago as pastor of the First Christian Church of Monrovia and at the time of his death was a member of the Bethany Christian Church of Pasadena.

He began his ministry as a singing evangelist, then became a very successful evangelist and pastor. His evangelistic work was largely in the East and Midwest, his pastorates were here in Southern California.

Dr. Gaines Cook, Executive Secretary of the International Convention, came into the church under his preaching. Dr. Cook came to Pasadena to help the Shauls celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary five years ago.

Year Book Statistics FOR 1959-60

Don't be surprised when you receive your February issue of *Christian View-Point* in which several pages of the Year Book, produced by the International Convention of Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ), will be printed. Each year this has been done to acquaint the reader with giving records to all causes for each of the Southern California Christian Churches.

Production of these records will cause some sacrifice of news feature articles and change of format for several pages.

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▲ Rex Hill, Jr. of Hollywood-Beverly who gave an excellent performance in the Shirley Temple show, "Little Men".

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MINISTERS AND WIVES HONOR PARROTTS

The ministers and wives and the staff of the Area Office of Southern California had a happy privilege on November 13th as they honored the state secretary and his wife, Dr. and Mrs. James Parrott, on their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

This happy occasion was held at White Chapel in Burbank where Jim and Mary are members. An interesting program was given with Lee Pryor, President of the Ministerial Association, presiding. The program included musical numbers, both vocal and piano, a unique tribute to the honored couple, and pictures of days gone by. Corsages were presented to Mary and her mother, Mrs. Bassett.

After the presentation of a silver tea and coffee service in keeping with the anniversary, a reception was held in the Fellowship Hall, which was beautifully decorated by the ladies of the church.

URBAN STUDY PROGRAM FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Southern California churches, through the Urban Church Department of the Area Office, have had studies completed or in the progress in twenty-one churches. The first major study, community-wise, was conducted in San Diego. East San Diego, Central and University worked together to complete a major study in their section of the State. The results of these studies have pointed out a great many interesting things and these churches will be much more effective in the days to come as a result of this.

Studies are now being concluded at both Hemet and Glendora, and Hollywood-Beverly is just beginning.

Mr. Arthur Stanley from the Urban Church Department of the National Office has assisted, materially, our Area Office personnel in guidance and help in this enlarging program in the life of our churches.

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SOUTH PASADENA PLANS TO BUILD

Under the leadership of Dr. Ira L. Ketcham, the spirit of the South Pasadena Christian Church is mounting steadily. The congregation recently approved a financial campaign to supplement a present fund of fourteen thousand dollars for a new edifice.

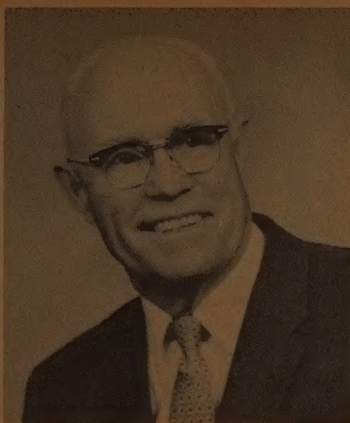
H. R. Fisher, Official Board chairman, in presenting the plan to the congregation said, "The building of a new sanctuary is long overdue. Present facilities are not ample enough to care for either the Christian Education program or the necessary social activities of the congregation. Our location, however, is splendid."

As the church began its campaign on December 1, Dr. Ketcham announced a ten thousand dollar gift toward the new building enterprise which would be received within sixty days.

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USING THE MAILS TO DELIGHT

MONROVIA, First Church—A special "Thank You" day has become a source of joy to this church family. To get into the spirit of the day you think of all the past kindnesses and considerations shown you by different members. Then the idea is to write each one a letter voicing your appreciation. The letters are addressed, stamped and taken to church on a specific Sunday where they are dedicated as part of the service. As they are sent on their way Monday morning it is like a cornucopia of love spilling out over the whole church.



HARRY J. HILL SERVES THE CHURCH FIFTY YEARS

On November 13, 1960, Rev. Harry J. Hill celebrated the completion of fifty years in the service of God and the Christian Church. The South Bay Christian Church at Redondo Beach, California, Dwaine Cerbin, minister, was the host for the observance. Rev. Hill had served this church as minister from 1926 to 1932 and again as associate pastor for several months in the spring of 1960. He preached on "A Sufficient Ministry" at both morning worship services. A dinner and fellowship hour followed with the presentation of an anniversary cake, greetings from many of his friends and former parishioners, and a suitably engraved gold watch.

Mr. Hill graduated from Cotner University in 1914 and came to California in 1920. For the following 35 years he served as minister for the Christian Churches at Orange, Redondo Beach, Burbank, Cypress Park in Los Angeles, North Long Beach and Azusa in California. He retired in 1955 but has remained active with numerous interim pastorates.

Rev. and Mrs. Hill have four children, three of whom are in full-time Christian work: Rev. Homer B. Hill, pastor of the Broadway Christian Church, Tucson, Arizona; Mrs. Richard (Louise) Blackburn, church secretary at the Central Christian Church in Glendale, California; Mrs. Kenneth (Marilyn) Chick, a missionary in Campinas, Brazil; and Mrs. Richard (Helen) Gripp of San Diego.

Rev. Hill sums up his ministry of fifty years in one sentence—"If I had another fifty years I would do it all over again."

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TO STUDY IN AUSTRIA

RIVERSIDE, First—Dreux McNary who has been attending the University of Redlands the past three years has been chosen to go to "the university of Redlands" in Salzburg, Austria, for six months.

OPERATION "TSUBO"

VAN NUYS, Central—The C.W.F. of this church has become a partner in a real estate venture with the new church at Haibara Nara-Ken, Japan. The group sent money, through UCMS, for the purchase of 10 "tsubos" of land which will be part of what is needed by the new church for its site.

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SETTING THE PACE

BELLFLOWER, First Church—In the future some fortunate church will have Wayne Long serve as its pastor. Wayne is now studying at Northwest Christian College and is having a preview to the bustling life a minister lives. After reading Wayne's letter to his home church we decided each ministerial candidate should be gifted with a large bottle of vitamin pills. The letter says in part:

"I am taking a heavy load of studies this term, combining classes at the University and N.C.C. The classes that I am taking (or are taking me) are as follows: Beginning Homiletics, Lyric Religion, Church and Family, History of the Restoration Movement, School and American Life and Appreciation of Literature.

"As for outside activities, I have quite a few to keep me busy. I am the recreation chairman of Christian House. I am also working for the Department of Parks and Recreation for the city of Eugene in cooperation with the school district. I lead an after-school recreation session with the 5th and 6th grades. I also teach Sunday School to the Intermediates at Yarnel Community Church."

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TORREY PINES CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF LA JOLLA CELEBRATES FIRST ANNIVERSARY

The Torrey Pines Church celebrated the first anniversary of the founding of this church on November 6 with a reception at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Ewart H. Wyle.

During the first year of this congregation, the membership has grown to almost 100, property has been arranged for, and a great future has been envisioned. Dr. Ewart H. Wyle is the energetic leader who has given so much guidance, help and understanding to the life of this new congregation.

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▲ The Pico-Arlington Christian Church on November 6 recognized Joseph Arthur Fish as he completed six years as the associate minister of the congregation. The congregation expressed its appreciation to the younger Mr. and Mrs. Fish who are associated with his father, Dr. Merle Edison Fish, Sr., the minister.

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rapidly getting six to ten thousand subscriptions, we have had to hold up on further plans in the large field of public relations. In a real sense our own people who want to benefit from good public relations are the very ones who are preventing our rapid development. Until the VIEW-POINT has a substantial subscription list we will not expand our total activity.

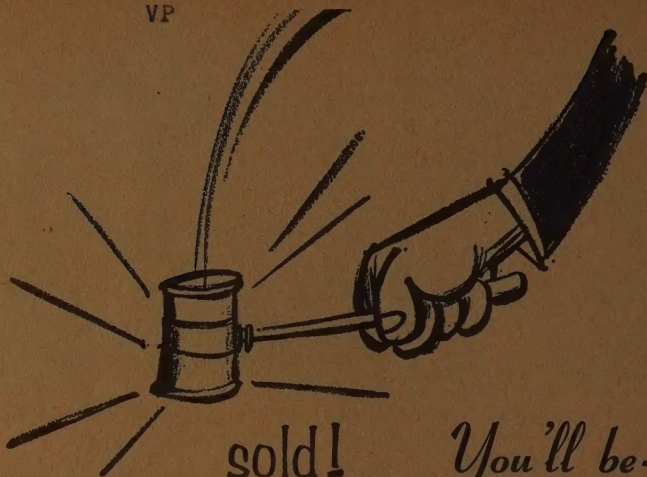
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